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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. HUGHES (for himself and Mr. MOORHEAD) introduced the following bill;  
which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary

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[Strike out all after the enacting clause and insert the part printed in italic]

[For text of introduced bill, see copy of bill as introduced on February 24, 1993]

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To make permanent chapter 44 of title 28, United States  
Code, relating to arbitration.

- 1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
- 2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*
- 3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**
- 4 *This Act may be cited as the “Court Arbitration Au-*
- 5 *thorization Act of 1993”.*

1 **SEC. 2. REMOVAL OF REPEAL.**

2        *Section 906 of the Judicial Improvements and Access*  
 3 *to Justice Act (28 U.S.C. 651 note), and the item relating*  
 4 *to such section in the table of contents contained in section*  
 5 *3 of such Act, are repealed.*

6 **SEC. 3. AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.**

7        *Section 905 of the Judicial Improvements and Access*  
 8 *to Justice Act (28 U.S.C. 651 note) is amended—*

9            *(1) in the first sentence by striking “for the fiscal*  
 10 *year” and all that follows through “4 fiscal years.”;*  
 11 *and*

12            *(2) in the third sentence by striking “, except*  
 13 *that” and all that follows through “this Act”.*

14 **SEC. 4. ARBITRATION TO BE ORDERED IN ALL DISTRICT**  
 15 **COURTS.**

16        *(a) AUTHORIZATION OF ARBITRATION.—Section*  
 17 *651(a) of title 28, United States Code, is amended to read*  
 18 *as follows:*

19            *“(a) AUTHORITY.—Each United States district court*  
 20 *shall authorize by local rule the use of arbitration in civil*  
 21 *actions, including adversary proceedings in bankruptcy, in*  
 22 *accordance with this chapter.”.*

23        *(b) ACTIONS REFERRED TO ARBITRATION.—Section*  
 24 *652(a) of title 28, United States Code, is amended—*

25            *(1) in paragraph (1)—*

1           (A) *in the matter preceding subparagraph*  
2           (A) *by striking “and section 901(c)” and all that*  
3           *follows through “651” and inserting “a district*  
4           *court”; and*

5           (B) *in subparagraph (B) by striking*  
6           *“\$100,000” and inserting “\$150,000”; and*

7           (2) *in paragraph (2) by striking “\$100,000” and*  
8           *inserting “\$150,000”.*

9           (c) *CERTIFICATION OF ARBITRATORS.—Section 656(a)*  
10          *of title 28, United States Code, is amended by striking “list-*  
11          *ed in section 658”.*

12          (d) *REMOVAL OF LIMITATION.—Section 658 of title 28,*  
13          *United States Code, and the item relating to such section*  
14          *in the table of sections at the beginning of chapter 44 of*  
15          *title 28, United States Code, are repealed.*

16          **SEC. 5. CONFORMING AMENDMENT.**

17          *Section 901 of the Judicial Improvements and Access*  
18          *to Justice Act (28 U.S.C. 652 note) is amended by striking*  
19          *subsection (c).*